

## Local Armenians begin relief effort

By Andy Siering  
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Local Armenians, shaken by the wholesale death and destruction in Soviet Armenia from Wednesday's earthquake, have begun a relief effort to help survivors there.

The quake is estimated to have killed as many as 100,000 and injured, and left homeless hundreds of thousands more.

The earthquake toll stands as the fifth worst this century; a quake in China in 1926 killed more than 240,000 and is considered the worst.

"It breaks our hearts," said Ralph Astorian, a Granite City alderman, of the Armenian tragedy. "There are so few of us."

There are approximately 6

million Armenians and persons of Armenian descent in the world — including 3.3 million in the Armenian Republic and 500,000 in North America, said the Rev. Nerses Manogian, pastor of St. Gregory's Armenian Apostolic Church in Granite City.

A fund has been set up at Magna Bank here. Those wishing to contribute to the Armenian Earthquake Relief Fund should make checks payable to St. Gregory's and send them to: Magna Bank of Granite City, Colonial Banking Center, P.O. Box 1, Granite City, Ill. 62040.

A memorial service will be held at St. Gregory's Church, 1723 Maple St., at 11 a.m. today (Sunday), followed by a dinner to kick off a relief fund-raising effort. The dinner will be held at

St. Gregory's Armenian Community Center, 10 Colonial Drive, off West Pontoon Road.

St. Gregory's Church, which has about 120 families on its rolls, is one of two local congregations of the Armenian Apostolic Church of America, said Rev. Manogian. The other is Holy Shoghagat Armenian Apostolic Church, 400 Huntwood Road in Swansea near Belleville.

The money collected by St. Gregory's will go to the Eastern Prelacy of the Armenian Apostolic Church of America, headquartered in New York City, which will use it to buy medicines to ship to Armenia, Manogian said.

The national church on Thursday declared a 10-day period of mourning which will culminate with memorial services nation-

wide Sunday, Dec. 18, Manogian said.

"We have encouraged our parishioners to curtail (holiday) party plans and Christmas shopping, and to contribute instead to the relief effort," he said.

On Friday, Manogian was obviously fatigued from the events of the last few days, including a barrage of calls from members of the media. On Thursday, the congregation had held a hastily organized memorial service at which weeping parishioners lit red candles in memory of the dead.

Late Thursday night, Manogian was awakened by a phone call from a recent emigre from Armenia, a parishioner who still has relatives in the region devastated by the quake.

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A CANDLE IS LIGHTED Friday by the Rev. Nerses Manogian in memory of the Soviet Armenian earthquake disaster victims. Manogian is pastor of St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Apostolic Church in Granite City. (Staff photo by Patrick Foley)

## Bellcoff's role in Pashoff ouster disputed

By Andy Siering  
Staff writer

MADISON — Some Madison aldermen dispute his allegations, but Christ Pashoff continues to blame Mayor John Bellcoff for the Madison city organization's refusal to endorse him for another term as Venice Township supervisor, a post he has held for 16 years.

Pashoff and other sources said Bellcoff agreed to demand by Venice Mayor Tyrone Echols, who refused to accept another term for Pashoff.

Bellcoff repeatedly declined to comment last week. Echols did not return telephone messages left with several persons in Ven-

ice. In a meeting Nov. 30, the Madison group's executive board endorsed Township Trustee Richard "Poppy" Paterson for supervisor in the April 1989 election.

Madison traditionally has picked the candidates for supervisor, tax collector and two of the four trustees, while the Venice organization has chosen the clerk, the assessor and the other two trustees. The resulting slate usually prevails in the townshipwide voting.

Pashoff alleged Thursday that Bellcoff had persuaded members of the executive board to vote against him. He said "three or four" board members had told him after the decision that Bellcoff had told them "not to vote for me."

Aldermen Ron Grzywacz and Andy Economy also said that Bellcoff had attempted to influence the voting. Grzywacz has announced his intention to run for mayor.

Economy was also nominated for endorsement as the next supervisor, but got only four votes to Pashoff's two and Paterson's 22, sources said.

Aldermen John Hamm, Norris Horton and Rich Asperger said Bellcoff had not tried to tell them how to vote. Said Hamm:

"John Bellcoff did not talk to me about who to vote for. I've been asking everybody, 'Did the mayor tell you who to vote for?' They all said no."

Horton, who prefaced his remarks by say-

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## Woman unconscious after alleged beating

GRANITE CITY — A 56-year-old woman allegedly beaten by her husband during an argument early Tuesday remained unconscious Saturday morning at Christian Hospital Northeast in St. Louis.

Ruth E. Hopkins of the 2100 block of Garfield Avenue is in the hospital's intensive care unit. She was initially taken from her home by Granite City ambulance to St. Elizabeth Medical Center and was transferred by helicopter to Christian Northeast Hospital in St. Louis.

Ernest Lee Hopkins Jr., 58, of the 2100 block of Garfield was arrested at SEMC. A felony information alleging a gra-

vated battery was issued Wednesday through the Madison County State's Attorney's Office.

Bond was set at \$50,000 and Hopkins posted \$5,000 bail at 10 a.m. Wednesday and was released, pending a court hearing.

Gary Ripley, an East St. Louisian who is a brother of the woman, said doctors have told him the woman will not live.

"The doctor told me she was going to die and the only thing keeping her alive was a breathing machine," he said.

He said family members are

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## Fourth county worker files union grievance

By Dennis Grubaugh  
Managing editor

EDWARDSVILLE — Another union grievance was filed Friday on behalf of a county worker bringing to four the number of employees complaining about job-related events that have begun with the start of the budget year in December.

James Goodall, president of local 799 of AFSCME, filed a grievance on behalf of Vicky Geaschel, an employee in the county auditor's office, the Public Defender John Rekowski.

Goodall said Geaschel was denied a raise that was due to begin Dec. 1. Rekowski said his budget had been cut and the raise could not be afforded.

"It took me seven days to get the raise," Rekowski said. "There wasn't anything he could do about it. Well, he's going to

have to find a way to take care of it. It can't come out of the union member's money," Goodall said.

Rekowski was unavailable for comment.

Meanwhile, a hearing was

held Thursday between new County Auditor Fred Bathon of Madison and the union, regarding a grievance filed on behalf of Bernadette Williams of Venice. Bathon attempted to fire her shortly after coming on the job, because of what Bathon said was

Williams' refusal to accept new job duties.

"Nothing was resolved," said Goodall. "Both parties made counterproposals back and forth. They're supposed to consider

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## Haine looking at Bathon's alleged scuffle

EDWARDSVILLE — State's Attorney William Haine is reviewing a sheriff's investigation of an alleged scuffle in the county auditor's office and should announce findings early this week.

Auditor Fred Bathon was involved in a confrontation with an employee he was attempting to fire on his first day on the job, Dec. 1.

Employee Bernadette Williams

of Venice asked the Madison County Sheriff's Department to investigate her complaint that Bathon had scuffled with her during her attempt to remove personal papers from the office.

Bathon, who has said there was no scuffle, is seeking Williams' dismissal from the office for insubordination, because of her refusal to accept new job duties.

Sheriff Bob Churchich said his

office interviewed five persons — Bathon, Williams and three employees who witnessed the incident — to try and determine if charges could be filed.

Haine said his first assistant felony attorney, Michael Nieskes, is studying the results.

Haine said that, because of the political implications, he is going out of his way to make sure the case is fairly treated.

## What in the heck is a Montessori classroom anyway?

By Nicole Vaughn  
Staff writer

GRANITE CITY — Child-size tables and chairs are filled with children ages 3 to 6, each avidly engaged in some activity.

A small blond boy, the sleeves of his sweatshirt rolled up, has both hands immersed in a dishpan washing dishes.

A little girl sporting a red Kool-Aid mustache proudly displays a page full of multi-colored circles.

Other children are sprawled out on strips of carpeting, sounding out and forming words with colored letters.

It is a scene from a typical day at the Edwardsville Montessori School on Illinois 162. The school has occupied the former Stallings School since 1982.

It may sound like a scene at a day-care center and in many ways resembles one. But few day-care centers have 3- to 6-year-olds making maps of the United States, counting to 1,000, or learning the flags of foreign countries.

The Montessori philosophy encourages individual behavior, with every child working as fast or as slow as his or her pace may be. The children also have group lessons and work on some projects together.

The program encourages, rather than forces, children to learn," Mary Beth McGivern,

the school's director, said.

The individualism of the program also allows the child to move freely about the room and between the activities he does.

"The children have a great deal of control over what they do," McGivern said. "They also have guidance to send them in the proper direction."

The Montessori system is divided into three, three-year spans: ages 3 to 6, 6 to 9 and 9 to 12. The program is primarily designed for children during their most impressionable ages, 3 to 6.

With a staff of eight, the Edwardsville Montessori School has 78 students divided among three primary classes and two elementary classes. There is also a satellite school, The Children's House-St. Clair, in Belleville.

"Rather than having only one teacher as a model, peers can be just as effective," McGivern said.

She said the age span promotes working together and is an interaction of the learning process for the younger children.

McGivern taught in the "traditional" education system for more than five years, including kindergarten in District 9, before becoming Montessori-certified in 1971. She has been director of the school since 1973.

"I could never go back to

teaching all one age," McGivern said. "This system helps the children to help themselves and each other."

Montessori children are not graded on their work. They are subject to periodic evaluations checking how much they have retained and are given in-class exercises to reinforce this ability.

"It's not necessary to have grades," McGivern said. "There is no reason that a child should feel he's being compared to another."

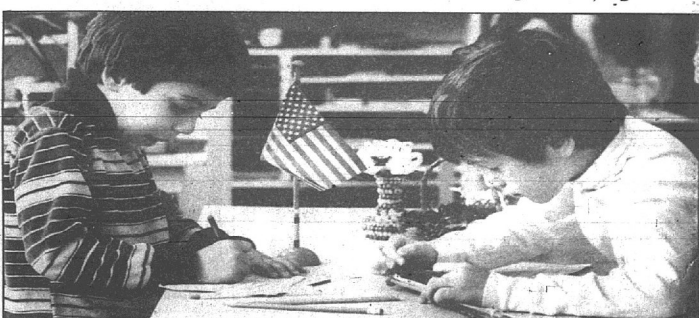
She said that the lack of a grading system was one of the more criticized elements of the program.

McGivern said a child's work shows his progress. The children progress at their own pace and they can choose any lesson to work on as long as it is explained to them first.

"The children don't get very bored," McGivern said. "They complete one lesson and begin work on the next."

A worldwide educational program, Montessori was founded by Italian physician Maria Montessori. She began teaching mentally deficient children in 1896 and later used her special sensory materials with normal children in 1907.

Montessori began teaching day-care-aged children to read and write using sandpaper



MONTESSORI SCHOOL STUDENTS Ghasan Mohsen, left, and Matthew Heath, both 5 years old, from Granite City, draw flags of the world Thursday morning. They are students in Lynne Beutner's classroom for 3- to 6-year-olds. (Staff photo by Patrick Foley)

letters and was surprised with the results.

"The things that young children snap up are just amazing," McGivern said. "That's really what the program is all about. You introduce the child to the

material, work with him and see what happens."

The education may come easy, but it doesn't come cheap. Tuition is \$1,500 per year for the primary program and \$2,412 per year for the elementary pro-

gram.

The Montessori training focuses on five areas.

First, practical life exercises help the younger children to coordinate their bodies and to

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## Two degree programs added at university

A bachelor's degree program in mechanical engineering and a master's degree program in art therapy were approved Dec. 6 by the Illinois Board of Higher Education as new units of instruction for Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

SUIE currently offers baccalaureate programs in industrial engineering, civil engineering and electrical engineering which enroll approximately 500 students. The university also offers master's degree programs in civil and electrical engineering.

University officials said the program in mechanical engineering will support and complement existing programs, and approximately 150 students are expected to enroll by the fifth year of operation.

Five new faculty members will be hired by the School of Engineering to teach the core courses in the program, while existing faculty members will

provide instruction in science and engineering support courses.

The university has requested \$302,000 in new state resources to supply three hours of faculty to establish laboratories needed for the program.

The master's program in art therapy is designed to prepare students for employment as art therapists in hospitals, clinics, rehabilitation centers, and schools.

Positions in these fields are projected to expand by 15 to 23 percent by 1995, and the university expects to graduate 10 students annually in the program by the fifth year of operation.

The university has requested \$48,200 in new state resources for faculty positions and other support for the new program. After it is implemented, a specialization in art therapy in the Master of Fine Arts in Art program will be eliminated.

**FLAVORFUL FINGERPAINTING:** First-graders in Cheryl Gann's class at Prather Elementary recently had a tasty experience in fingerprinting with chocolate pudding. Demonstrating the art, from left, are Jared Mahan and Jacob Loyd.

## All-day kindergarten teaching academics

By Rick Arnold  
Staff affiliate

**BELLEVILLE** — While the kindergartens of two decades ago were mostly a mix of milk and cookies, naps and finger painting, the trend is toward all-day kindergartens offering academic as well as social activities.

Local and state school officials say changes in society and in educational philosophy have caused a shift toward all-day kindergartens.

All-day kindergarten is in its second year at Belleville Grade School District 118. Superintendent Ron Riegel said he believes its time has come because of changes in education alone.

Riegel said most children now learn skills in day-care centers and preschools that before were taught in kindergarten, so the kindergarten curriculum has had to be adjusted to meet these changes.

"The educational program is more sophisticated," Riegel said, adding teachers now need more time with their students to cover the necessary material.

District 118's enrollment in all-day kindergarten is 335 children.

Vivian Adams, an administrative assistant at East St. Louis School District 189, said her district has had all-day kindergarten since the early 1970s because district officials recognized it would be beneficial for both children and parents.

Adams said it was difficult for many parents to get their kids to school and come back for them three hours later, and teachers didn't feel they had enough time with their students.

"Adams said the kindergarten program, which has an enrollment of 1,070 students, has provided children with activities to help them grow academically and socially.

Adams said parents' reaction to all-day kindergarten has been overwhelmingly positive.

"The parents are at ease. They know their children are out of harm's way," she said.

Adams said the district also has had a preschool program for 4-year-olds since 1973.

Dr. Donald Wachter, associate superintendent of the Decatur school district, agreed with Adams that societal changes have necessitated all-day kindergartens.

"Our philosophy is the parent is the first and most important teacher, but we've had to reflect on the various backgrounds of our students," Wachter said.

The Decatur school district began all-day kindergarten 20 years ago for economically disadvantaged students under the federally funded Chapter One program.

Wachter said more and more children are coming from single-parent and low-income households, where the parents don't have the time or resources to teach their children important social skills.

On the academic side, Wachter said all-day kindergarten has made a difference in test scores of Decatur students, with students from kindergarten through third-grade doing far better than kids across the country.

At least one local educator, however, isn't sold on the idea of all-day kindergarten. William O'Fallon District 90 Superintendent Remo Castrale said his concern is more for practical reasons than philosophical ones.

"We don't have it because we don't have the space," he said. Castrale said it's important to plan programs appropriately.

"These children are barely 5 years old at the time, and they aren't able to handle structured activities," Castrale said. "I do feel a six-hour day is a little too long for them."

## Menus

### Granite City Public Schools

**Monday** - Manager's choice.  
**Tuesday** - Spaghetti with meat sauce, buttered green beans, chicken apple sauce.  
**Wednesday** - Baked chicken with dressing, buttered vegetables, fruit cup.

**Thursday** - Taco with cheese, lettuce and tomato, fruit cup.  
**Friday** - Fish plate, macaroni and cheese, buttered vegetable, fruit cup.

### Madison Public Schools

**Monday** - Burritos, mixed vegetables, apple sauce.  
**Tuesday** - Hamburger gravy, whipped potatoes, spinach, gelatin.  
**Wednesday** - Spaghetti with meat sauce, garlic bread, tossed salad, pineapple.

**Thursday** - Turkey pot pie, green beans, cranberry sauce.  
**Friday** - Tuna salad sandwich, macaroni and cheese, slaw, cherry crisp.

### Venice Public Schools

**Monday** - Sloppy joe on bun, mixed vegetables, jelly with fruit.  
**Tuesday** - Beef stew, cornbread, beefs, apple sauce.  
**Wednesday** - Hobo sandwich, french fries, peaches.

**Thursday** - Pizza squares, buttered corn, fruit cocktail.  
**Friday** - Tuna salad, potato chips, pear halves.

**Monday** - Cheeseburger, tater tots, pickles, corn, chocolate drop cookies.  
**Tuesday** - Chili or chili mac, celery and carrot sticks, cheese chunks, peanut butter bread, strawberry jello.

**Wednesday** - Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, lettuce salad, raisins, lemon pudding.  
**Thursday** - Tacos, cheese, lettuce, corn, apple sauce, chocolate chip cookies.

**Friday** - Tuna humus, potato chips, pickles, peas, cherry muffin.

### Senior Citizens

**Monday** - Pork party, mashed potatoes, red cabbage, pineapple.  
**Tuesday** - Mostaccioli, chef salad, dinner rolls, peaches.  
**Wednesday** - Swiss steak, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, jello with fruit.

**Thursday** - Chicken and dumplings, mixed vegetables, tangerine, existing programs, and approximately 150 students are expected to enroll by the fifth year of operation.

**Friday** - Roast beef, mashed potatoes, broccoli, cobbler cake.

### Head Start

**Monday** - Beef stew with and vegetables, biscuit, pears.  
**Tuesday** - Sliced turkey, roll, peas, mashed potatoes, tangerine, cranberry sauce.

**Thursday** - Barbecue beef on bun, tossed salad, dressing, apple sauce.  
**Friday** - Baked beans with franks, chocolate pudding fruit cup.

### St. Mary's, Madison

**Monday** - Barbecue hamburger, tater tots, corn, apple sauce.  
**Tuesday** - Taco salad, baked beans, peaches.  
**Wednesday** - Hamburger gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, jello with fruit.

**Thursday** - Chili with crackers, peanut butter sandwich, carrot sticks, fruit cup.  
**Friday** - Nachos and cheese, fish sticks, corn, pineapple.

## MHS band to give concert

The Madison High School band will perform for the first time this school year at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, in the high school auditorium.

A feature of the program will include a trombone trio performance by senior band members Daniel Kosteneck, Stacy Pruett and Terry Jackson. They will play "Trombonanza" by Frank Colfield.

Another feature will include a presentation of "Twas the Night Before Christmas" narrated by senior band member Detric Blackley and accompanied by the band.

The band will perform under the direction of William F. Ledbetter.

Admission to the concert is by season ticket. Single admissions are available at the door and will cost \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students.

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## Quilters to meet

The Heartland Quilter's Guild will meet at the Presbyterian Church at 237 Kansas St., Edwardsville, at 7 p.m. on Dec. 12.

Visitors are welcome. Those who wish more information may call 462-0376 for more information.

## We're Sorry!

In this week's Christmas Sale circular, we advertised Sno-bell. Venture's own plush toy on pages 2, 23 and 28. For \$15 with any \$20 purchase. Unfortunately, Sno-bell is no longer available in some stores due to high Customer demand.

On page 18 we advertised Trouble fragrance by Revlon on sale for 25% off. Due to the manufacturer's inability to ship, this merchandise will not be in our stores. We will gladly issue rain checks.

Also on page 18, we advertised holiday cosmetic kits for women by Revlon on sale for 25% off. Due to high Customer demand, the kits may be in limited quantities or unavailable in some stores. We regret that rain checks cannot be issued.

On page 19 we advertised Holly corollas 12 pc. dinnerware set, reg. \$29.99, on sale for \$19.99. Because of high Customer demand, this merchandise may not be available in our stores. Unfortunately, we can not issue rain checks. Coordinating Holly accessories will still be available.

We advertised Small Talk interactive learning on page 36 on sale for \$26.99. Due to the vendor's inability to ship, this merchandise will not be available until later in the week. As a courtesy to our Customers, we will issue rain checks.

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**Venture**

## Secret security measures desired by school boards

School boards want to make public schools a safer place to be.

Delegates from more than 400 Illinois school boards voted in late November to ask the General Assembly to allow school boards to meet in closed meetings to discuss school security arrangements.

The Illinois Open Meetings Act does not allow closed meetings to discuss security arrangements for schools.

Board members said they want to respond to the recent tragic outbreak of school shootings with increased security measures that might be jeopardized by public disclosure.

They hope to make schools safer as well by using "life safety" funds to buy security equipment.

The school board delegates voted at their annual meeting on a number of resolutions that will direct the activities of the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB), a voluntary organization that represents the views of public school boards in contacts with the General Assembly.

The voting was part of a four-day conference of school officials that attracted more than 10,000 to Chicago.

The school board representatives voted to study the issue of parental choice, giving families greater flexibility in deciding where to enroll their children. A committee will report about this to the IASB board of directors no later than Aug. 1, 1989.

Also adopted were resolutions

## Adult exercise class scheduled by parks

The Granite City Park District is offering an adult exercise class for individuals who want to improve their fitness but do not want to enroll in a high-level aerobic class.

Music from the '30s, '40s and '50s accompanies the exercise program, which begins from a sitting position and finishes with a dance.

The adult exercise class will

be held from 7 until 8 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays at the Brown Recreation Center. Cost of the program is \$7.50 for residents and \$17.50 for non-residents.

Registration limited to 12 participants will begin Monday, Dec. 19, at the Wilson Park Office, 877-3059. Classes begin Jan. 4. Wake Barber, recreation supervisor, said.

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**ANNUAL APPEAL FOR THE NEEDY:** Dan Michke, a member of Steelworkers Local 66 at Granite City Steel, makes a donation to the Tree of Lights fund sponsored by the Granite City Steel Women's Association and Steelworkers Local 16. With Michke, from left, are Harvey Scarsdale of Local 16 and Ruth Thornsberry and Wanda MacDonough, both past presidents of the Women's Association. The goal for 1988 has been set at \$10,000. The fund aided 50 families in 1987.

(Staff photo by Patrick Foley)



**GOING ORANGE:** Granite City Rotarians are in the final phase of their annual citrus campaign. Each year the club raises funds for the benefit of local charities. Pictured from left are Club Secretary R.C. Bush and Club President Don Adams presenting \$300 to United Way Drive Chairman Paul Raczkiewicz. Orange and grapefruit sales are being coordinated by Citrus Campaign Chairman Loren Davis, 877-0120; Adams, 878-5400; and Bush, 878-6400.

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## Price Center POV processing to open

The first inland, privately-owned-vehicle (POV) processing center will formally open with a ribbon cutting ceremony to be held at the Charles Melvin Price Support Center in Granite City on Friday, Dec. 16, at 10 a.m.

Maj. Gen. John H. Stanford, the Military Traffic Management Command's commander, will cut the ribbon for the new facility.

Assisting will be Brig. Gen. Dane Starling, commander, Military Traffic Management Command, Eastern Area, Bayonne, N.J.

The center will provide a full range of vehicle processing services offered by the U.S. Army's Military Traffic Management Command at its ocean terminals.

Once processed for shipment, vehicles will be transported to ocean terminals by commercial car carriers.

The Granite City facility is being established to offer convenience to service members and Department of Defense civilians living in the Midwest who use St. Louis as a departure or return point for overseas moves.

An estimated 16,000 vehicles are expected to move through this facility annually.

The facility began operations on Dec. 1 after considerable planning and preparation. It is located across the Mississippi River from Lambert-St. Louis International Airport.

The POV processing center will operate Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., except on federal holidays. Emergency after-hours service is not available.

## SEMC Vietnam War memorial revisited

GRANITE CITY — Anyone who has ever taken the time to inspect the walls at St. Elizabeth Medical Center has found a lot of surprises. Not only are there decorative pieces of artwork; there is also a lot of history.

For instance, did you know SEMC had a memorial to the soldiers from this area who served in Vietnam — a memorial established nearly 20 years before the memorial in Washington, D.C.?

The memorial features the names of 37 young men from the Granite City area who gave their lives in Vietnam. The idea for the memorial originated with Joseph Glik.

"I decided to have the memorial created because I thought that the boys fighting in Vietnam were being shortchanged. The war was controversial. Many people were against our being over there. The sacrifices of those who served were being downplayed."

"They weren't getting the same respect as the men who had served in past wars," said Joseph Glik. "I personally thought they should be recognized for their bravery."

Glik commissioned the memorial on June 18, 1968. The memorial consists of a bronze tablet, 18 1/4 inches wide and 35 1/8

inches high, with an ornamental border. The names of those who died in the war are on separate

**'It wasn't a very popular thing to do at that time. Sentiments against the war were running high. However, we wanted to recognize all the young men from the community who gave their lives in the war.'**

Joseph Glik

bronze plaques.

The original tablet held 19 names, as the war continued, the total grew to 37.

On May 27, 1969, a letter went out from the hospital signed by then assistant administrator Ted Eilerman. It invited all relatives and friends of the servicemen to attend a service held in the hos-

pital chapel on Memorial Day, Friday, May 30.

"It was a very well-attended service, I remember. It was my second year at the hospital," said Eilerman, now president of SEMC. "It wasn't a very popular thing to do at that time. Sentiments against the war were running high. However, we wanted to recognize all the young men from the community who gave their lives in the war."

"It was a fairly short service, but it was very moving. Most of the widows, friends and parents of the young men were there," Glik said. "I believe the memorial was appreciated. I continued to get calls and letters from people in the community thanking me and praising the memorial."

The memorial originally was placed in the main entrance off Madison Avenue. When the hospital remodeled, the display was moved to the foyer of the new entrance off Washington Avenue.

Granite City is planning another memorial to the service personnel who served in Vietnam. It will be in Memorial Park, across the street from the medical center. A dedication service is planned for early next spring.

## Walking program launched

The Granite City Park District Board of Commissioners approved an Adult Walking Program at the last board meeting, according to Steve Kessel, director of parks and recreation.

The Walking Program will be held at the Harold Brown Recreation Center at Franklin and Amos avenues Monday through Friday from 2 to 4 p.m.

The program is free of charge and is open to everyone over the age of 18. The program begins immediately.

For more information, the Granite City Park District can be called at 877-3059.

## Rotary to ring bells

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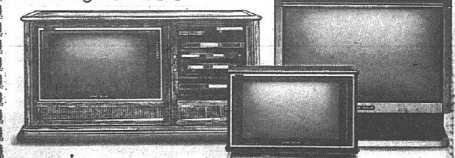
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## Former resident gets environmental award

Former resident Gloria McCutcheon, daughter of Lucille Caban, Granite City, and the late Paul Caban Jr., was one of two people recognized for working for a better environment at the annual Ike's Award Banquet by the Sheboygan County Chapter of the Izaak Walton League at Howards Grove, Wis.

McCutcheon oversees the Department of Natural Resources Southeast District in Milwaukee. McCutcheon became the district director of DNR in 1982. She shared the award with former Sheboygan Schools Superintendent Dr. Warren H. Soetebier.

According to Bill Fisk, Ike's district director from Green Bay

who presented the awards, McCutcheon has been attentive to Sheboygan County on many environmental issues.

She has done excellent work with Sheboygan on environmental conservation issues, especially in dealing with the problems of pollution in Sheboygan Harbor, Fisk said.

McCutcheon received a bachelor's degree in civil engineering and a master's degree in civil and sanitary engineering at the University of Illinois.

Her husband, William, is a research engineer for Forest Products Laboratory (USDA-Forest Services) Madison, Wis.

They have two daughters, Heather Anne and Rachel Anne.

## Women of Moose meets for Mooseheart Night

The Women of the Moose Chapter 247 held a Mooseheart Chapter night at the Moose Lodge, with 30 members present.

Senior Regent Marilou Wilkerson opened the meeting and introduced Mooseheart Chairman Susan Wilkerson, who in turn introduced her committee and presented two checks to be sent to Mooseheart, the scholarship and maintenance fund, and the Christmas card fund.

New member Irene Squarejohn, sponsored by Gerry Spece, was enrolled. Ruth Morris, sponsored by Edna Miller, was voted in.

The club voted to give three turkeys to the Salvation Army for Thanksgiving and \$25 for the Tree of Lights.

Game prizes were awarded to Jean Teller, Sara Gusewelle, Marian Lyscomb and Alice Stagg.

## Kyle Mann marks second birthday

Kyle Zachary, son of Kimberly and Kelly Mann of Granite City, was honored at a party celebrating his second birthday on Nov. 26.

Attending were maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold R. Bowers; paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Mann; and maternal great-grandmother, Dorothy Willard, all of Granite City; and Dawn and Daniel Bowers and Laura and Bob Mann.

## Angelly girl honored with birthday party

A birthday party with a Mickey Mouse theme was held Nov. 19 in honor of the first birthday of Ashleigh Noelle Angelly.

Gifts were opened, and cupcakes and ice cream were served.

Attending were: her mother, Deanna Angelly; Ron Baker; grandparents, Arthur and Sharon Angelly; great-grandparents, Lowell and Evelyn Hatfield; great-aunt Kathy Conger; aunts Sheryl, Kyla, Kelli, Danielle and Nikki Angelly; cousins James, Joe and Angela Conger; and John Adler, Krystalle Adler and Charles Smith.



HOLY FAMILY Men's Club officers are, from left: Vice President Jim Dittman, President Henry Gabriel, Treasurer Larry Delamano and Secretary Bob Connolly.

## Church men's club formed

On Nov. 17, 78 men of the Holy Family Catholic Church in Granite City met at the Parish Community Center for the founding meeting of the new parish Men's Club.

The Rev. William Fisherker explained the central purpose of the club as being "to play a major role in the bonding of all members of the parish into an alive and caring Christian Community."

According to Fisherker, "The focus of our next meeting on Thursday, Dec. 15, will be to hear from the men on their specific ideas for the club's future activities. I am encouraging as many of the men of the parish as possible to attend this meeting and to share with us their hopes for the future of our parish."

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## Landmans announce birth of daughter

Ron and Laura Landman of Granite City have announced the birth of a daughter, Jessica Ann.

Jewish Hospital, St. Louis.

The infant weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces, at birth, Nov. 27, at

Paternal grandparents are Ron and Annette Landman of Granite City, and maternal grandparents are Phillip and Martha Hogan of Granite City.

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## TIF rift over Timberlake project

By Valerie Evenden

PONTON BEACH — A public hearing on proposed designation of the Timberlake Manor Subdivision as a Tax Increment Financing redevelopment project drew objections Dec. 5.

The Timberlake property is on the west side of Illinois 111 and north of the Church of the Nazarene in the 4700 block of the highway.

Questions were asked and objections were heard at the public hearing from representatives of the Granite City School District, Long Lake Fire Protection District and Mitchell Fire Protection District.

The impact of a large housing development on the property without a subsequent increase in tax dollars to provide services was noted by Long Lake and Mitchell fire protection representatives.

Long Lake officials also cited the area as an "attractive development site," questioning why or if the property could be considered blighted.

The key concern was the tax revenue that would be deprived from fire protection districts and other local taxing bodies, for time periods that may exceed 20 years.

Construction of 104 homes on the 64-acre tract is proposed by

the developers, P and E Construction Co., headed by Richard and Helen Buenger.

Other developers involved in the Timberlake area are Gary Stark, Floyd and Morris Freeman and Ray and Ruth Ann Stephens.

Fourteen houses are being constructed at the present time, with five of the homes already occupied.

In a written statement about the TIF proposal, Norman S. Owca, Granite City School District director of finance, said the Board of Education has not taken an official position for or against TIF districts in downstate Granite City, Chouteau Trace I and II in Ponton Beach.

The proposed Timberlake TIF District, however, has given the board cause for concern, he said, citing a projected increase in student population without benefit of additional property tax money to finance education.

When tax increment financing is used to pay for development, among the parties most affected by TIFs is the school district, which could be denied some or all of the additional money generated by developments in a TIF area for as long as 23 years, Owca said.

TIF districts enable new tax revenues generated by real estate taxes within the district to

be used to repay TIF bonds. The bonds finance development of streets and utilities and meet other development costs in the area.

Taxing bodies providing public services within a TIF district would see virtually no increase in revenue although they are required to provide services to businesses, residences and other new building projects in such areas.

The potential for establishing a TIF district for Timberlake Manor was first discussed at a public hearing in March.

The hearing was adjourned when Don Paterson, president of the Long Lake Fire District, objected to the hearing due to notification being sent to the Long Lake Fire Department, rather than the fire protection district, a taxing body.

The hearing was never reconvened and no further action was taken on the proposed TIF district until last week.

Representing Long Lake at the hearing were Attorney Irv Slate Jr., Irene Karlebach, Art Theis and Paterson. The Mitchell Fire Protection District was represented by Attorney Jim Sinclair, Golden Barton and Michael Lesko.

Any decision by the Village Board of Trustees must be made at a regular meeting. The board next meets on Tuesday at 7 p.m.

## Blood drive Dec. 15 at SEMC

St. Elizabeth Medical Center, 2100 Madison Ave., and the American Red Cross will host a blood drive between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 15.

Donors must be at least 17 years old, in good health and weigh more than 105 pounds. Whole blood can be separated into components to treat specific medical conditions. That way four patients can benefit from a single donated unit, said Ruth Ann Gabriel, SEMC blood drive chairman.

Benefactors of blood donations range from accident victims to hemophiliacs, to patients under-

going chemotherapy, elective surgery or organ transplants.

"During the holiday season, we all have a lot more to do. It may be hard to find an extra hour to give blood. Unfortunately, the need for blood does not decline; it usually increases somewhat during the holidays."

Gabriel said in the bi-state area 5,000 units are needed to meet the needs at 140 hospitals in 80 Missouri and Illinois counties.

Anyone who has any questions or needs more information about the drive may call Gabriel at 796-5129.

## Area retirement center will celebrate decade of service

Wes Barber, executive director of Eden Village Retirement Community, announced that rededication ceremonies for the Eden Village Health Care Center, the Eden Village Retirement Apartments and Duplexes and the Eden Village Adult Day Care Center, will be held on Sunday, Dec. 18, between the hours of 3:30 and 5 p.m.

The ceremonies, which will mark the first public event in a year-long celebration of Eden

Village's 10th anniversary, will be held in the retirement center atrium at 3009 South Station Road in Edwardsville. The public is invited.

Barber said there will be a social gathering at 3:30 followed by the formal rededication ceremonies conducted by the Rev. Wes Bornemann, pastor of Eden United Church of Christ.

Rosemarie Brown of Granite City is community development director at Eden Village.

## Bathon

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them over the weekend and possibly meet again on Monday."

Williams has also asked the Madison County Sheriff's Department to investigate an alleged scuffle that took place between her and Bathon when Williams attempted to remove a personal folder from the office. Bathon denies the scuffle took place, but has said he did confront her on the nature of the contents of the folder, before allowing her to take it.

Williams has also said she was fired for seeking union representation when Bathon was ordering the job duty changes.

Union employees must have a disinterested hearing prior to firing, according to the contract with the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees.

A dispute with another of Bathon's employees, Felicia Jackson of Venice, appears nearer to being resolved. There was some question as to whether or not Jackson's salary would be reduced, but Bathon said Friday afternoon that the salary would not be cut.

Jackson had also refused to accept new job duties because of alleged physical impairment. Bathon said he has yet to receive doctors' proof of such impairment, but he is working with Jackson in the meantime.

Also still pending are grievances filed against new State's Attorney William Haine, who laid off two employees whose jobs weren't needed.

The grievances were filed last Wednesday and Haine's office has five working days in which to respond, Goodall said.

"Mr. Haine maintained he abolished those jobs and no longer needed their services," the union filed a grievance because he brought in new people at the same time," Goodall said.

However, Haine responded that he couldn't have a budget problem, he would have to lay off according to seniority. But he can't have a budget problem if he's hiring new people.

However, Haine responded that "I'm hiring people I need. I'm laying off people I don't need. I need skilled legal secretaries and lawyers. I'm trying to survive."

## Services Monday for Eunice Hagler

Funeral services for Eunice M. (Setzer) Hagler, 72, of Sulphur, La., a former 62-year resident of Granite City, will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at First Assembly of God Church, 24th Street and Grand Avenue, with the Rev. C. Dale Edwards officiating.

Mrs. Hagler died at 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 7, 1988, at Calcauleu Cameron Hospital in Sulphur.

Visitation will be from 2 to 8 p.m. today (Sunday) at Irwin Chapel for Funerals, 2801 Madison Ave. Burial will be at Lakeview Memorial Gardens, Belleville.

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## Belcoff

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ing he was "allied with Belcoff," said, "John (Belcoff) never said anything to me about who to vote for."

Horton said Belcoff, Echols, Paterson "and somebody else" allegedly held a meeting at Charlie's Restaurant some time ago, at which Paterson spoke up for Pashoff.

Paterson did not return a phone message left at his home.

"Tyrone didn't buy it," Horton said, adding that Pashoff had "alienated black voters" in the past. Horton, who like Echols is black, said the major part of the vote in Venice Township is in predominantly black Venice and West Madison.

"There was no coercion," said Congressman Alderman Silver Franklin said, "Venice didn't get a whole bunch of fair treatment from Christ (Pashoff). He made a lot of people mad."

"I never turned Tyrone down for nothing," Pashoff said. Pashoff said Belcoff could have stood up to Echols on his behalf. "He did not stand up for me. Just once, he's got to stand up straight and say yes or no. He's always going back and forth."

Grzywacz said Pashoff had pleaded with the executive board for "one more year to (help) pay his wife's hospital bills." Mrs. Pashoff has been seriously ill.

"He (Pashoff) brought tears to everyone's eyes," Grzywacz said. John (Belcoff) told me he wanted a younger man for the job. Pashoff, who would say only that he is "ageless," is believed to be in his mid-70s.

Pashoff said he had received many phone calls urging him to run again anyway, but he said he had not made up his mind.

Filing will take place in January.

## Petitions ready for Venice Park Board

VENICE — Petitions are available at the Venice Park District Office, 323 Broadway, for prospective candidates wishing to seek a six-year term on the Venice Park Board in the April 4 election, Linda Tharp, board president, said Thursday.

The office is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Only one seat becomes vacant in April, when incumbent Earl DeLores's six-year term expires.

Serving with Tharp on the board are Harold Wilson, Anna Claggett, John Silas and Hogan. The park board meets on the second Thursday of each month at 7 p.m.

## School

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increase their attention spans, concentration, independence and self-confidence. Objects they would find in their own homes such as dishpans and pitchers teach them simple tasks like dishwashing and pouring drinks into a glass.

Second, sensorial materials also help the younger child to refine his senses, compare, contrast and make judgments. With certain materials the child learns to differentiate between colors, shapes, etc.

Third, math skills are taught to all the age levels, using visual materials for the younger children such as an abacus or stringing 1,000 beads. Later, all the math skills he will need during his adult life are taught.

Fourth, language materials beginning with sandpaper letters and colorful letter tiles lead the child through reading and writing.

ing with games and manipulative exercises. The children are also taught Spanish. The older children spend 30 minutes each day reading books of their choice.

Lastly, cultural materials involve the child in subjects such as biology, geography, geology, history, art and music to make him aware of the world around him.

Every classroom is designed with these areas in mind, with a specific place for each of these materials in the rooms.

The classrooms also contain live animals including birds, fish and guinea pigs.

"The children love the animals," McGivern said. "It teaches them responsibility in taking care for them."

The Montessori method uses very few texts, opting instead for colorful graphics, charts and

hands-on training.

"The children really enjoy the charts," McGivern said, displaying one book collection that gives a humorous account of the way seeds are carried through the environment.

For the 9- to 12-year-olds, some texts are integrated to prepare them for the traditional classes at a junior high school.

"We went back into that program by gradually introducing texts," McGivern said. "It is a transitional stage for them."

McGivern said children usually adapt well to the traditional classroom following a Montessori education.

"They have already learned the proper social skills and they are familiar with a learning style," McGivern said.

"They are also filled with the self-reliance of everything they have achieved to that point."

## Relief Effort

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"He was crying on the phone," Manogian said. "Nobian got caught through to the earthquake region. All the phones are dead."

Lia Bedian of the Armenian National Committee said, communications with the stricken area were still chaotic. But she said a plan had been laid out to help up in the Armenian capital of Yerevan for Armenians to call relatives in the United States.

The epicenter of the quake, which measured 6.9 on the Richter scale, was in the Caucasus Mountains in the northern part of Soviet Armenia. The Armenian Republic had been north of Iran and east of Turkey, about 100 miles west of the Black Sea.

The quake devastated the cities of Kirovakan and Leninakan. Manogian said he had heard that "75 percent of Kirovakan (population 170,000) was in rubble." He said the Soviet town had been leveled. The city of Spitak, which he said had a population of 30,000, was "wiped off the map."

The American Red Cross has responded to the disaster by sending \$50,000 immediately. The Soviet Red Cross sent 14.5 tons of medical supplies and other goods Thursday.

Donations to the Red Cross relief efforts may be mailed to: American Red Cross, 1907 Dearborn Ave., Granite City, Ill. 62040. The organization requested that checks or envelopes be made payable to the Armenian earthquake relief.

Hollis Donaldson, a member of the local Mexican Honorary Commission, said he planned to

ask the commission to donate to relief efforts. Donaldson said he had heard that the earthquake had been so severe during the earthquake in Mexico last December.

Mayor Von Dee Cruse expressed his sympathy and said he would make a donation to relief efforts. "Our local Armenian residents have been really good people in the community. I am in sorrow with them. I am making a donation, and I hope other people will contribute also."

The earthquake is just the latest blow dealt to the Armenian people. Ethnic riots in recent months in the neighboring Azerbaijan Republic have killed several hundred Armenian residents and have sent 10,000 fleeing into Soviet Armenia.

Armenians remaining in Azerbaijan "live in constant fear," Rev. Manogian said.

## Beating

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considering hiring an attorney to pursue prosecution of Hopkins.

A police officer went to the Hopkins' home to assist the ambulance crew at 7:10 a.m. Tuesday. Ruth Hopkins, clothed in a nightgown, was lying face up on the kitchen floor with her head toward the basement door entry, a report said.

Her face was red, swollen and bruised, the officer reported, and she also had bruises on the arms.

Her husband told police they had been arguing. The injured woman has been unable to make a statement, police said.

## Grassroots

Upcoming meetings of Quad-City Area governmental taxing bodies include:

Tri-City Regional Port District, 6:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12, Port Office, 2801 Rock Road.

Chouteau Township, 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12, Township Hall, 906 Thorngate Drive.

Nameok Township, 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12, Township Hall, 4250 Illinois 162.

Ponton Village Board, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, Village Hall, 3910 Illinois 111.

Long Lake Fire Protection District, 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, Fire Station, 4113 Ponton Road.

Mitchell Public Water District, 7 p.m. Tuesday, 745 E. Chain of Rocks Road, Madison City Council, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, City Hall, 1339 Third St., Madison.

Venice Township, 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 13, Township Hall, 1502 Fifth St., Madison.

## Appeals board to meet Wednesday

GRANITE CITY — The Zoning Board of Appeals will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 14, in the City Hall Council Chambers to consider two variances.

Edward and Vivian Harper of 3025 Maryville Road seek to construct a 24-foot by 22-foot detached garage on the right side of their lot and Mr. and Mrs. Hershal Jones of 3136 Yale Drive want to enclose a 10-foot by 14-foot wooden deck attached to the right side of their residence.

## Obituaries

## Hubbard

After a long illness, Bobbie (Polk) Hubbard, 61, of 1908 Roxana was pronounced dead at 3:03 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 8, 1988, at her home by Madison County Deputy Coroner Scott Lewis.

She was born July 30, 1927, in Rankin, Miss. In 1981 she retired as a selector at the Owens Illinois Glass Co. after 25 years of service.

Preceding her by her husband, Leonard William Hubbard Jr., formerly of Granite City, who died July 12, 1985. They were married Feb. 17, 1943.

Survivors include two daughters, Katherine Scott and Virginia Bartlett, both of South Roxana; two sons, William H. Hubbard III of Hartford and Richard Alan Hubbard of St. Louis; one sister, Maggie Simpson of New Mexico; three brothers, Bert Polk of Huntington Beach, Calif., Jerry Polk of Aaransas Pass, Texas, and Tommy Polk of Great Falls, Mont., and five grandsons.

Visitation will be held from 4 to 8 p.m. today (Sunday) at Gray Funeral Home, 205 E. Lorena, Wood River, where funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, with the Rev. Roy Gibbs officiating. Burial will be at Wanda Cemetery, youth Roxana. Memorials are requested for the American Cancer Society.

## Abram

Delores Abram, 42, of East St. Louis died Thursday, Dec. 8, 1988, at St. Mary's Health Center, Richmond Heights, Mo.

Born Dec. 25, 1945, in Madison, she was a lifelong resident of the Metro East area.

She was employed by Day's Inn in St. Louis and was a member of St. John Baptist Church of Brooklyn.

She is survived by her husband, Leonard Abram Jr. of East St. Louis and three daughters, Lannette McKenzie of St. Louis and the Yolanda Abram and Alecia Abram, both of East St. Louis.

Funeral services were held Dec. 3 at St. John Baptist Church, with the Rev. Charlie Bell pastor, officiating. Burial was at Sunset Gardens of Memory, Millstadt. Officer Funeral Home of East St. Louis had charge.

## Lottery

Results of the Illinois State Lottery were:

Thursday, Dec. 8: 558

Pick 4 Game: 4479

Friday, Dec. 9: 379

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# Entertainment

## Fresh yuletide TV shows sprinkled among staples

This week's television schedule, as you might expect, is loaded with holiday specials. But if you have grown weary of the staple reruns, several new yuletide shows dot the roster between the Christmas episodes offered by many weekly series and the reruns making their annual visits.

"Roots: The Gift" is a made-for-TV movie featuring actors who reprise their roles from the original, landmark miniseries that first aired in 1977. LeVar Burton and Louis Gossett Jr., star as Kunta Kinte and Fiddler in a story set at Christmastime 1775. The two slaves, accompanying their owner to another Southern plantation, become involved in secret efforts to lead a group of slaves to freedom in the North.

The supporting cast for the two-hour show, which airs at 8 p.m. today (Sunday) on KVI-TV (Channel 2), includes Avery Brooks as a "free man of color," Michael Learned, Sherry Cassidy and John McMartin as Dixie slave-owners and Kate Mulgrew as an unconventional bounty hunter. The show was unavailable for preview.

Christmas music, rock style, is the focus of a 60-minute special on KNDL-TV (Channel 30) at 7 p.m. today. "A Rock 'n' Roll Christmas" features performers include Pat Benatar, Little Richard and The Fabulous Thunderbirds. Also appearing in vintage video clips are Elvis Presley, The Beatles, David Bowie in a duet with Bing Crosby, Elton John, U2, Run DMC and John Cougar Mellencamp.

Another Ted Turner ("Let them eat color") colorized version of a classic, "A Christmas Carol," airs at 6 p.m. today. Completing the holiday treats are: "Babes in Toyland," 7 p.m. Monday, John Wayne's "Three Godfathers," 7 p.m. Tuesday; and Henry Winkler's "An American Christmas Carol" at 7 p.m. Wednesday.

Channel 2 has a two-hour show titled "Hollywood Christmas

### Weekend TV

By Mark Bretz

Parade" at 1 p.m. today, and KSDK-TV (Channel 5), presents "A Christmas Sampler" at 4 p.m. today.

Stretching into the week a bit, Channel 5 offers a new holiday movie titled "I'll Be Home for Christmas," a story dealing with a son's return from World War II. The two-hour drama, which airs at 8 p.m. Monday and was unavailable for preview, stars Hal Holbrook, Eva Marie Saint, Courtney Cox and Peter Gallagher.

Also on Monday at 9 p.m. on Channel 9, Luciano Pavarotti joins the Canadian Boys Choir for a concert of Christmas tunes from Montreal's Notre Dame Cathedral. That 60-minute special, "A Christmas Special with Luciano Pavarotti" follows another Pavarotti show, "Scenes from La Boheme: A Pavarotti Celebration" at 8 p.m.

One of TV's most enduring stars, Robert Conrad, has led the role in a new made-for-TV movie, also unavailable for preview titled "Glory Days," in which he plays the part of a 33-year-old man who tries out for his college football team, Jennifer O'Neill co-stars in the film, which airs at 8 p.m. Sunday on Channel 4.

Finally, promise yourself to watch "Promise," a 1987 Hallmark Hall of Fame production that is absolutely riveting, superior television. James Garner stars as a middle-aged real estate agent who endures trials and tribulations brought about by his schizophrenic brother, played by James Woods. Woods won an Emmy (Garner deserved the same) for his touching portrayal in a unique and outstanding drama that airs again at 8 p.m. Tuesday on Channel 4.

## Few actors match Nielsen's distance

By Harry Hamm  
Staff affiliate

Many actors and actresses will tell you the road to Hollywood is a long one. But few can match the distance traveled by actor Leslie Nielsen.

"I'm initially from the far north, close to the Arctic Circle," Nielsen said. "My father was a member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, and he was stationed in a detachment near the Arctic Circle. I really didn't reach real civilization until I attended high school in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada."

Nielsen's career, one that has included roles in more than 60 movies and about 1,000 television shows, began to bloom in the frozen north.

"I first started performing when I went to the Academy of Radio Arts in Toronto, which was formed by Lorne Greene," Nielsen said. "That was in 1947. He was my announcing instructor and mentor. In 1949, I went from there on an acting scholarship to Neighborhood Playhouse in New York City. I studied with Sanford Meisner and I even studied dancing with Martha Graham."

Nielsen, 62, now lives in Southern California where he has built a reputation as a solid, all-around comic actor in films like "Airplane!" (1980) and the hit television comedy series "Police Squad." Other Nielsen films include "Soul Man" in 1986 and "The Poseidon Adventure" in 1982. Nielsen said he landed what is perhaps his most important (and typically) dramatic role in the Barbara Streisand film from 1987, "Nuts," because of one of his comedy movies.

"Barbra saw me in 'Airplane!'," Nielsen said. "She hated the movie but liked me, so she cast me in the role of the crazed guy who she kills

early in 'Nuts' because he is trying to murder her. She felt I handled it perfectly so I'm pleased about that."

Nielsen's latest role in "The Naked Gun," From the Files of Police Squad," is a comic continuation of the popular television series from 1982, "Police Squad."

"My character, Lt. Frank Drebin, has just returned from a vacation in Beirut to find that his partner has had an attempt on his life and was shot six times, each shot totally missing any vital organs," he said. "In the course of tracking down the sinister villain, who is played by Ricardo Montalban, I come across a plot to kill Queen Elizabeth II, who is making a visit to Los Angeles. Of course, I stop the assassination, capture the villain, fall in love with Priscilla Presley and take many coffee breaks."

Nielsen's acting career in television began in 1950 when he appeared with Charlton Heston in a "Studio One" production. Paramount brought Nielsen to Hollywood in 1954 for his first feature film, "The Vagabond King." Nielsen's varied acting jobs early in his career taught him some valuable lessons that have lasted a lifetime.

"For me, comedy acting has a tendency to be much more specific than dramatic acting," he said. "You're always walking on a finely honed edge. And, of course, you find out very quickly whether it's getting a laugh or not."

Because of the slap-dash nature of a film like "The Naked Gun," it stands to reason that the "outtakes," film shot but unseen by the public because of mistakes, must be hilarious.

"When you see 'The Naked Gun,' rest assured there were no outtakes," he said. "The whole movie is an outtake."

## Christmas at home, around the world

By Christine Hummel  
Staff affiliate

The land of Christmas trees and Christmas toys is said to be Germany. In no other country is the day so fully and heartily observed. Christmas there is a personal and family affair for which preparations begin weeks ahead. Advent candles, wreaths and other decorations are put up the fourth Sunday before Christmas.

St. Nicholas observes the children's behavior, leaving small presents or bundles of rods. German children look forward to the arrival of Kris Kringle, but they seldom forget that the gifts come through the Christ Child or that the season is a time to bring joy to others and have concern for the less fortunate.

England brought us the traditions of plum pudding, the Christmas card and the Christmas carol. The season in the British Isles is one of religious services, family reunions and merrymaking.

As in the United States, children hang their stockings over the fireplace for Father Christmas to come and fill.

Parents decorate the tree after the children have gone to bed, homes are decorated with holly, mistletoe and colorful paper chains and streamers.

In Italy the Christmas season lasts three weeks, from the beginning of the novena (eight days before Christmas) until after the Twelfth-Night or Feast of the Epiphany. A rigid, fast is observed during the 24 hours preceding Christmas Eve, followed by an elaborate banquet. Presents are drawn from the

"Urn of Fate" and, although many blanks are included to add to the merriment, a present for each person is provided in the end.

St. Nicholas Day, Dec. 6, has replaced Christmas in France in regard to the giving of candy and gifts to children. Christmas Day is celebrated by religious services and family dinners.

On Christmas Eve, as the children sleep, toys, candy and fruit are hung on the branches to add to the gifts Father Christmas (Père Noël) has left in their shoes by the fireplace.

In Poland, as in many of the Slavic countries, the Star of Bethlehem is a dominant symbol around which the observance of Christmas revolves. The gleam of the first star in the evening sky on Christmas Eve means that the long fast of Advent is over.

With the evening meal, small white wafers, opłatki, are eaten by each member of the family, symbolizing peace and friendship as in the breaking of the bread during Mass.

Throughout the Scandinavian countries of Sweden, Norway and Denmark, Christmas Eve is the greatest festive event of the year, with chiming church bells, an elaborate dinner, the ceremony around the Christmas tree and soul-stirring hymns and carols in candlelight churches.

It is often said that Christmas lasts a month in Scandinavia. The season begins with a colorful festival on Dec. 13 and ends on Jan. 13, St. Knut's Day, honoring the 11th century ruler known for his pious nature and generosity.

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